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May 15, 2001

Mr. Donald L. Averett
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Federal Election Commission
999 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20463

Reference: Year End Report (12/1/00 - 12/31/00)

Dear Mr. Averett:

In response to your letter dated May 2, 2001, please find enclosed a copy of a letter to Sharon Axson of the Henry E. Brown, Jr. for Congress campaign committee requesting a refund of our December 8, 2000 contribution in the amount of \$1,000.00 designated as debt retirement for the 2000 general cycle.

This contribution was made in error after a miscommunication in our office. A phone conversation with Ms. Axson has assured me that this contribution will be refunded. We will report the refund in the proper manner on our FEC report once the funds are received.

With this refund the American Bankers Association's BankPac will be in compliance with FEC laws and regulations. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 202-663-5115.

Thank you for your patience and understanding concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Stephen Crochet
Assistant Director



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May 14, 2001

Ms. Sharon Axson

Henry E. Brown, Jr. For Congress

P.O. Box 61886

North Charleston, SC 29419

Dear Ms. Axson:

Thank you for speaking with me this morning concerning the December 8, 2000, contribution from the American Bankers Association's BankPac in the amount of \$1,000.00 designated for debt retirement in the 2000 general election cycle to your campaign committee.

Prompted by the Federal Election Commission, we have discovered that this contribution was unwarranted as your campaign had insufficient debt. Therefore, to remain in compliance with FEC laws and regulations, BankPac is respectfully requesting a \$1,000.00 refund from the Henry E. Brown, Jr. For Congress campaign committee. With this refund the Henry E. Brown, Jr. For Congress campaign committee and ABA BankPac will be in compliance with FEC laws and regulations.

We certainly apologize for this mix-up. Your expedient response to this letter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 202-663-5115. Thank you for your time and patience concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Stephen Crochet

Assistant Director

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